

TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

BUSINESS.

Yesterday's bank clearings were \$219,134; balances, \$308,225. Local discount rates were between 5 and 6 per cent. Domestic exchange was quoted as follows: New York, 90 discount bid, 90 discount asked; Chicago, 40 discount bid, 30 discount asked; Cincinnati, Louisville and New Orleans, 60 discount bid, par asked.

Wheat closed lower at 82c. Dec. 82 1/2; May No. 2 red, 82c; Corn closed higher at 49 1/2c. Dec. 49 1/2c; No. 2 mixed, 49c; Oats closed at 25 1/2c. May, 25c; No. 2 mixed, 25c.

Spot cotton was 1/2c higher in the local market.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.

Plans were approved by the building commission in which various denunciations will hold services near the World's Fair grounds.

Court appoints a guardian for Miss Lillie Dickens, 15 years old, in order that she may be married.

The St. Louis County teachers' meeting will convene in Clinton Thursday.

Catherine O'Day, 5 years old, is burned to death while playing near a bonfire.

W. L. Trumble, Jr., was promoted to a Quinlan in the United States.

His father is secretary of the Commercial Association of Naval Officers.

Forty years ago when he was the same age, he held the same office in the navy.

The Board of Education awarded contracts for equipping McKinley High School.

Colonel E. E. Schoeninger was installed chaplain in chief of the Sons of Veterans.

Harrison I. Drummond sold his fast steam yacht, White Feather, to Edmund Randolph of New York.

Mayor Wells and representative business men of St. Louis favor the Republic's plan to present a testimonial to the battleship Missouri.

The World's Fair received four carloads of century plants and ten carloads of palms and evergreens for the Quade Gardens.

James B. M. Keller, who had been in business in St. Louis for thirty-five years, died. He was a prominent citizen, flour manufacturer and bank director.

Mayor Wells suggests November 4 as St. Louis Day at World's Fair.

GENERAL DOMESTIC.

The receiver of the land office at La Grange, Ore., is indicted on the charge of soliciting bribes, this being the first indictment resulting from the recent inquiries into extensive land frauds.

An expert from the Department of Agriculture has been sent to the plains to work out a cure for madness caused by the locust plant.

Caster oil plants as a cure for mosquitoes is the subject of experiments made by Consul Thompson of Yucatan.

A physician at Des Moines is accidentally inoculated while attending a child suffering from lockjaw, and he expects to be dead within the week.

The allegation is made at Chicago that the petition for a receiver for the Acme Harvester Company is principally intended to embarrass the company.

The machinists' strike at the Pittsburgh plant of the Westinghouse Company is declared off and in a secret circular the president of the union advises locals everywhere to settle their troubles and obtain what work they can next winter.

A life-sized painting of the "Signing of the Peace Protocol," by Artist Chattran has been presented to the Government by Steel Magnate H. C. Frick of Pittsburgh.

Olive oil from California and sold under American labels has been found purer than French and Italian oils by Government chemists.

Elections will be held in eleven States next month, and municipal elections in Greater New York, Salt Lake and San Francisco will take place on the same date, November 3.

West Point enlisted men have drawn no rations for seven years, being fed from surplus stores. Officially they have starved.

The Reverend A. E. Gammage, pastor of the Laven Avenue Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kas., has resigned his pastorate at the request of the Board of Deacons, because of alleged heretical teaching. Many members of the church withdrew with Reverend Gammage, who says he will establish a new church.

Hog cholera is sweeping over Eastern Kansas. Four thousand heads die in three counties.

Frank James quits the show business to become a farmer on his mother's farm near Excelsior Springs, Mo.

Being struck over the head with a sword inscribed "War," is one ground for divorce alleged in a petition filed by J. P. Nowell of Boston against Lizzie B. Raymond Nowell, the actress.

The affairs of the New York Post Office will be investigated by special inspectors, after which offices in other large cities will be probed.

FOREIGN.

A revolution has broken out in Santo Domingo, backed by friends of former President Jimenez.

Fernando Duran, the legal adviser of the Department of Foreign Relations of Mexico, returns from Mexico and talks of the Kratz case. He will render an opinion concerning bond in a few days. He refuses to give statement of case, but says if there is cause for indictment in St. Louis there must be the same cause for action in Mexico.

The Countess Killeck is on trial at Berlin charged with presenting as her own another's child as claimant for a large estate.

A committee of the Colombian Congress has acted adversely on the bill declaring invalid the extension of time granted to the Panama Canal Company.

The Vatican decides to make an exhibit at St. Louis and the announcement will be made formally in a few days by the Pope himself.

SPORTING.

Major Delmar will try for the world's trotting record to-day at Memphis, and Dan Patch will endeavor to lower the half-mile pacing record.

Bummer captured the handicap at Worth. He got off four lengths to the good and was never headed.

Winners at the Fair Grounds yesterday were: Our Little, Harry Beck, Woodson, Mahler, Atherton and Larc.

Harness horses believe that the wind shield and other devices, more than anything else, have contributed to the wholesale breaking of records which has marked the season.

Withheld accident does not affect attendance at St. Louis University practice.

Browns get First Bowman Tom Jones by National Commission.

Marine Intelligence.

New York, Oct. 26.—Arrived: Astoria, from Glasgow; Zealand, from Antwerp.

Hamburg, Oct. 26.—Arrived: Bluecher, from New York.

Hayre, Oct. 26.—Arrived: La Gasconne, from New York.

Plymouth, Oct. 26.—Arrived: Kaiser Wilhelm II, New York for Cherbourg and Bremen (and proceeded).

London, Oct. 26.—Arrived: Minnetonka, New York.

St. John's, Newfoundland, Oct. 26.—Arrived: Carthaginian, Glasgow and Liverpool for Halifax, Nova Scotia, and Philadelphia.

Cherbourg, Oct. 26.—Sailed: Motke (from Hamburg), New York.

Glasgow, Oct. 27.—Arrived: Columbia, New York.

Liverpool, Oct. 26.—Arrived: Peruvian, Halifax and St. John's, Newfoundland.

FLOWERS ARE SENT TO RELIEVE GLOOM OF BLAIR HOME "AIRDRIE."

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The Administration building and he held in his hand a box of flowers and note, which had been addressed to Mr. and Mrs. Blair by President Francis. The flowers, it was reported, also came from President Francis, but reports of this kind were not verified by members or friends of Mr. Blair's family.

Callers at the mansion are met by the servants, of which there are many at "Airdrie." If the caller is an intimate friend of Mr. and Mrs. Blair, he is admitted to the parlors for a few minutes, but yesterday Mrs. Blair did not converse with visitors as she did on Sunday.

The servants seem as sad as any one. They are loyal to their employers.

Mrs. Blair's cook is a woman of Celtic extraction and has been in the family's employ for many years. Several times the cook answered the call of the reporters, who were treated cordially and diplomatically, but who received scant news from the faithful servant.

That "Mrs. Blair is a fine woman and that Mr. Blair is a good master," was about all the information given out by the head of the culinary department.

BLAIR'S WORLDLY FAIR.

The Blair mansion is beautifully furnished. Immense rugs lie on the floor, costly pictures and statuary are seen in many of the rooms, and the decorations throughout the house are rich and elegant.

JUDGE SEDDON IGNORES REQUESTS OF ROBERTS FOR A STATEMENT.

Judge James A. Seddon, former law partner of James L. Blair, was the Grand Jury's most important witness in the Blair investigation at the session yesterday afternoon.

Judge Seddon was in the Grand Jury room an hour and will return again today.

Other witnesses yesterday were: James Campbell, broker.

R. C. Kann, bookkeeper in Blair's law office.

Thomas P. O'Reilly, Blair's former stenographer.

James T. Roberts, accuser of Mr. Blair, who after five hours and thirty minutes in the Grand Jury room on Friday afternoon was in the witness-room all afternoon, but was not called before the Grand Jury.

At 5:30 o'clock Assistant Circuit Attorney Maroney informed Roberts that he would not be needed as a witness and would be telephoned for if wanted.

When Judge Seddon arrived in the witness-room, he was there. They nodded their recognition.

Judge Seddon took a seat in a room across the hall from the one where Roberts sat.

Roberts was told that Judge Seddon had repudiated an interview in a morning paper, and that he had repudiated to quote Judge Seddon.

Roberts immediately became very much excited. Jumping from his chair he went to the room where Judge Seddon sat and raising his hand above his head demanded:

"Do you repudiate the interview from 'You I gave to this paper'?"

Judge Seddon remained seated and calmly replied that he did not care to say anything about the matter.

Roberts' excitement by this time was increasing. Twice again he repeated the question, each time he was met with the same calm answer:

"I have nothing further to say."

"Then I am done with you. I'll go before the Grand Jury and tell all I know."

Judge Seddon arose from his chair and went downstairs to the first floor of the Four Courts building. He returned in a few minutes in company with Attorney Thomas Mulvihill. Detective James Tracy followed them.

Chief Kiley, Chief Desmond and Assistant Chief Keeley declared that neither of them sent Detective Tracy upstairs. The detective, when asked, he returned here, stated that he "was looking out for trouble." Asked who sent him he said: "You had better ask Chief Keeley about that."

Roberts DENIES MAKING STATEMENT.

Two hours later, when an afternoon paper purporting to give the facts of the interview between Judge Seddon and Roberts arrived, Roberts again grew angry.

He declared that he did not use the words "You have forsaken me," with which he had been quoted by the paper.

"I never said such a thing," angrily declared Roberts. "I had no reason to say it. I never needed Judge Seddon in this matter. Therefore, he could not have forsaken me. Judge Seddon needs me. If he repudiates my interview he's a liar."

Roberts repeated this statement several times and then declared: "I have always been Judge Seddon's friend and have tried to shield him in every way."

A reporter then offered to confront Judge Seddon in another room to prove that Roberts had used the words: "You have forsaken me."

Roberts jumped at the suggestion, and despite Deputy Sheriff Bernard Dickman's efforts to prevent it, pushed into the room where Judge Seddon sat.

"Did I say that?" he asked, pointing to the paragraph in question.

"I do not care to be bothered by you, Mr. Roberts," calmly replied Judge Seddon, never arising from his chair.

Roberts insisted.

Detective James Tracy, who had remained near Judge Seddon, stepped closer.

SHERIFF PUSHES ROBERTS FROM ROOM.

Deputy Sheriff Dickman stood between the two men. "If Judge Seddon does not wish to be bothered," said the deputy to Roberts, "you will have to get out of this room and let him alone."

With that Dickman pushed Roberts from the room.

Five minutes previous Judge Seddon and Roberts were alone in the witness-room and were in a heated argument. Roberts doing almost all of the talking, when Detective Tracy and Deputy Sheriff Dickman entered.

Judge Seddon was the Grand Jury's first witness. After being in the Grand Jury room an hour he came out and sat in the witness-room, expecting to be called again.

Immediately following his second tilt with Roberts he left the Four Courts.

In his published statements Roberts has been reported as saying that Judge Seddon knew nothing of Blair's alleged irregularities until he told him. Roberts declared that he had given to Judge Seddon "the whole story" and advised him to get out of the firm.

Judge Seddon, over his own signature, yesterday said: "I did have a conversation with him (meaning Roberts) in which he did most of the talking and I said very little, but I did say to him that certain facts which he had communicated to me last summer and which I had at the time denounced as false in very strong language, had been verified by me."

This statement on Judge Seddon's part is believed to have caused his summons before the Grand Jury. As Judge Seddon has thus far declined to discuss the case

Every piece of furniture in "Airdrie" is owned by Mrs. Blair, according to a statement of her son, but he declared as absurd a story that Mrs. Blair had decided to sell most of her personal property as a means of meeting some of Mr. Blair's obligations.

From officials of the World's Fair it has been learned that Mr. Blair's income from the Exposition Company was not so great as might be supposed. Mr. Blair received a salary of \$15,000 a year, but out of this, it is said, he paid the entire expense of the legal department of the World's Fair, with the exception of one attorney, who is stationed permanently at the Administration building, and who attends to the records of all the legal transactions of the Fair.

During his tenure of office Mr. Blair has frequently engaged the services of his former law partner, Judge James A. Seddon, but Judge Seddon's remuneration was deducted from Mr. Blair's allowance.

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ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD IN ELEVEN STATES NOV. 3.

Sharpest Fight of All Is in New York City, Where Fusionists Are Arrayed Against Tammany Hall.

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WHERE ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD NEXT MONTH.

These States will elect full State tickets: Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Maryland, Ohio, Kentucky, Iowa and Mississippi.

In these, one or more State officials will be elected: New York, Pennsylvania, Nebraska and Colorado.

Municipal rights are particularly interesting in Greater New York, Salt Lake and San Francisco.

candidate, and the Prohibitionists and Socialists have also made nominations. The result will be watched with interest owing to the split between Tammany and Hugh McLaughlin.

FIGHT IN NEW YORK.

The Brooklyn organization backed McClellan, but at first refused to include Groot for Controller and Forney for President of the Board of Aldermen in its resolutions ratifying the ticket, because they had been the Fusion nominees, having been dropped by the fusionists when the Democrats informed them. Hugh McLaughlin desired that these men were not Democrats and that he would not support them.

The fight in their behalf was made, however, by State Senator Patrick H. McClellan, and at his request a meeting of the Kings County Committee was called to consider a resolution proposed by McClellan, declaring for the Groot and Forney ticket.

At first it was believed that Hugh McLaughlin, the veteran leader of the Kings County Committee, had approved the action of the committee of fifteen, but the following day he made a public statement in which he declared his continued opposition to Tammany Hall.

After the meeting of the committee of fifteen, McClellan took charge of the Democratic campaign in Kings County. The Groot and Forney ticket was taken by Hinchel and McClellan, respectively.

In the West, the liveliest contest is in Ohio, where Merton T. Herrick and Tom L. Johnson, both of Cleveland, are the leaders on the Republican and Democratic tickets, and Marcus A. Hanna and John H. Clark are struggling for members of the Legislature, which will elect a United States Senator.

RACE IN IOWA.

In Iowa, Albert B. Cummins is making his second race for Governor, his opponent being Jeremiah B. Sullivan, who is depending on the Democratic vote, the Populists having their own State ticket in the field.

Governor Beckham is seeking re-election in Kentucky, the Republican candidate being Morris B. Beckham, who is making a strong showing in the polls.

The Democrats will have a walkover in Mississippi, neither the Republicans nor the Populists having put a ticket in the field.

The contest in Nebraska is for a Justice of the Supreme Court. The Republican candidate is John D. Barnes, the Democrats and Populists fusing on John J. Sullivan, a member of the State University are also to be chosen.

In Colorado, the Democrats made a straight nomination for Judge of the Supreme Court, the Populists putting up one of their own party.

The fight for municipal control of San Francisco and Salt Lake, particularly the former, is very warm.

courtship comparatively brief. Since her husband's death, about nine years ago, Mrs. Cone has spent her time alternately in Washington and Madison, Ga.

In the latter place she lived quietly with her sister, Mrs. Joel Phillips. In Washington, however, she was much seen in society and in the foremost circles of the capital she numbered her friends by scores.

It was in Washington that Senator Stewart met her, after the death of his first wife. A few months ago the most intimate friends of the couple became aware that the friendship of the two had ripened into something warmer, and not long after that they were informed of the engagement.

The couple arrived in this city this morning, accompanied by Judge Norwood. At 7 o'clock this evening they repaired to the hotel parlor, where they were joined by Doctor H. S. Bradley of Trinity Church, and a few invited guests, where the ceremony was performed.

The marriage was devoid of any display whatever. The bride is less than thirty years Senator Stewart's junior. She is a brunette and is quite handsome.

After the wedding the guests, all but Judge Norwood, departed. The bride, the bridegroom and the best man, adjourned to the cafe and ate the wedding dinner, unconscious of the stir they caused among the hotel patrons.

The Senator and his wife stopped at the Piedmont to-night and will leave for Washington to-morrow.

The wedding was the culmination of a

made by them, are hardly expected to come to St. Louis as voluntary witnesses, and the Grand Jury has no power to bring them against their will. Roberts is reported as saying that Mr. Dick holds the proofs on which an indictment could be based, and he says he does not believe that Mr. Dick will come to St. Louis as a witness before the Grand Jury.

James T. Roberts SUE FOR \$5,022 ON BOND.

Proceedings have been commenced to recover the amounts paid by the Union Trust Company as surety for James T. Roberts on his bond as assignee of the firm of Ury & Mansfield, which assigned in 1896.

Notice of garnishment has been served upon the Mississippi Valley Trust Company under executions issued on judgments against Roberts for amounts aggregating \$5,022.25.

It is supposed that Roberts has money deposited with the Mississippi Valley Trust Company, and it is believed that the company will be required to make a report to the court as to whether it has any of the funds to the credit of Roberts.

Roberts' bond as assignee of Ury & Mansfield was \$25,000. James T. Roberts moved and sued on his bond for alleged failure to turn over assets of the firm to his successor, the Union Trust Company settled the claims against Roberts.

BURDICK'S WIDOW OBTAINS FULL CONTROL OF ESTATE.

Has Retained Custody of Children and Will Contest Against Provisions Made in Will.

Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 26.—Surrogate Marcus to-morrow will hand down a decision by which Mrs. Burdick, widow of Edwin L. Burdick, will retain full control of the property left by her husband.

Under the terms of the will drawn up by Burdick a short time before he was murdered his three children were to be placed in the hands of guardians. His estate was to be managed by four executors for the benefit of the children.

Mrs. Burdick, however, retained possession of the children, pending a decision on the first clause, which she contested and which eventually was decided in her favor, so that the children have never left her custody. The administrators named in the will have managed the estate and turned the income over to Mrs. Burdick as legal guardian of the children. It is decided to be handed down to-morrow the most important clause in the instrument will be declared void.

The will was drawn after the divorce proceedings were begun by Mrs. Burdick. Under its provisions Mrs. Burdick was cut off without a cent.

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

PUBLIC HEARING ON NAME.

Question of Calling Market Street Central Avenue Comes Up.

Acting Chairman Home Marks of the Committee on Municipal Affairs instructed Secretary Mockler of the Council yesterday to call a public hearing before his committee on Friday afternoon at 2:30 for the purpose of discussing the question of changing the name of Market street to Central avenue.

Reasons advanced for the change when the bill was introduced are that there is no longer a market on the street, but now there are many public buildings, and, furthermore, since the system of street numbering north and south begins on that street a more appropriate name would be Central avenue.

Disappears After a Quarrel.

Philadelphia, Oct. 26.—The steamship Nordland sailed to-day from Liverpool with Thomas Hall of Manchester, England, a stowaway passenger, missing. Hall is said to have quarreled with some Italian, and his disappearance was noted half hour later. The Commissioner of Immigration is